Low investments under TRDP

1812. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will n.e Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that one of the persistent problems in the implementation of the IRDP is the low investment per family, if so, what are the average investments State-wise, and whether it is sufficient to raise the family's total income beyond the level of poverty line;

(b) whether Government would consider raising per family assistance to atleast Rs. 9000/-; and

(c) whether Government would also consider enhancing total availability of funds for IRDP for improving the quality of this programme and if so, to what extent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) One of the main shortcomings in the implementation of Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) brought out in the findings of the Research Studies and Public Accounts Committee (PAC) report (April, 1987) is low level of investment under IRDP. The Department has advised the State Government/DRDAs to prepare a package of projects for a family with higher level of investment so that the family assisted under the programme crosses the poverty line with one dose of assistance. The level of investment depends on apptitute of beneficiaries, projects for which assistance is sought and absorbtive capacity of beneficiaries etc. A statement indicating per family investment under IRDP for new families during 1987-88 and upto December, 1988 of Jhc current year is attached *(See* Below).

(b) It is envisaged that assitstance under the programme should be adequ ate. There is no celling on total level of investment. However, assistance in the form of subsidy is 25% for Small Far mers, 33 *Vi%* for Marginal Fanners, Ag ricultural Labourers and Rural Artisans and 50% for tribal participants. There is ceiling on subsidy of Rs. 3000 in normal areas, Rs. 4000 in DPAP/DDP areas and Rs. 5000 for tribal participants. There is no monitory ceiling on minor irrigation projects and only percentage ceiling are applicable

(c) The funds for the programme is made on the basis ot tmageiary resources available. For the year 1989-90, an amount of Rs. 390.00 crores has been provided in the Budget Estimate of Cent ral budget for IRDP, Block Level Ad ministration and Monitoring Cells etc. as against Budget Estimate of Rs. 355.00 crores for the year 1988-89. Of this Budget Estimate of Rs. 390.00 crores, an amount of Rs. 375.00 crores has been made for IRDP which is allotted to the States/UTs for implementation of IRDP during 1989-90 as against Budget Esti mate of Rs. 345.00 crores for 1988-89.

Statement

Per family investment under IRDP for new families

(In Rs.)

Sl. No.	States/UTs	1987-88	1988-89 (December, 1988)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	5189	5397
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	2373	2569
3.	Assam	5480	6535
4.	Bihar	4335	4930
5.	Goa	7080	5688
6.	Gujrat	3358	4008
7.	Haryana	4498	4698
8.	Himachal Pradesh	4695	4447
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	4906	5240
10.	Karnataka	4944	5179
11.	Kerala	6197	6194
12.	Madhya Pradesh	4446	5004
13.	Maharashtra	5501	5420
14.	Manipur	3381	2037
15.	Meghalaya	5063	5454
16.	Mizoram	4753	2238
17.	Nagaland	8391	9292
18.	Orissa	2574	2917
19.	Punjab	4755	5488
20.	Rajasthan	3600	3815
21.	Sikkim	4373	5613
22.	Tamil Nadu	5674	5447
23.	Tripura	5752	6617
24.	Uttar Pradesh	4993	5692
25.	West Bengal	4875	5525
26.	A & N Islands	5936	6284
27.	Chandigarh	Nil	Nil
28.	D & N Haveli	5201	4886
29.	Delhi	4851	3610
30.	Daman & Diu	4802	10274
31.	Lakshadweep	7958	8028
32.	Pondicherry	3595	3469
	ALL INDIA :	4470	5086